



## PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

**CR-101 (June 2004)**

(Implements RCW 34.05.310)

Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

**Agency:** Washington State Department of Agriculture

**Subject of possible rule making:** Chapter 16-604 WAC, Public livestock markets – health, brands and weights and measures

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** Chapter 16.36 and 34.05 RCW

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** The department proposes to amend chapter 16-604 of the Washington Administrative Code to correct incorrect references to the Code of Federal Regulation. The proposed amendments will correct those references and will make the rules easier to understand and interpret.

**Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:**  
None.

**Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):**

☐ Negotiated rule making

☐ Pilot rule making

☐ Agency study

☒ Other (describe) WSDA staff will develop the rule proposal with the help of industry input. Interested parties will be given the opportunity to participate during the public hearing and public comment process.

**How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:**

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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